UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice LD-634**

For: State and County Offices

Information About DIPP Authority After September 30, 2013

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1 DIPP Claims

A Background

The authority provided by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to authorize DIPP previously expired on September 30, 2012. However, Continuing Resolution, Pub. L. 112-175, extended DIPP through March 27, 2013, and the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Pub. L. 112-240) further extended DIPP through September 30, 2013. The Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 (Pub. L. 113-46), enacted on October 16, 2013, extends DIPP through January 15, 2014.

B Purpose

This notice provides State and County Offices with instructions for processing DIPP claims after September 30, 2013.

C Contact

For questions about this notice, contact Dani Cooke by either of the following:

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1 DIPP Claims (Continued)

D Processing DIPP Claims

County Offices shall:

- continue to accept and approve DIPP claims for FY 2013 through December 31, 2013, according to 3-LD, subparagraph 17 B
- accept and approve DIPP claims, according to 3-LD, for FY 2014 through January 15, 2014
- submit a photocopy of the complete DIPP claim, including required documentation, through the State Office, to PSD National Office for review and approval before issuing a DIPP payment to an applicant, according to 3-LD, subparagraph 44 D.

If the DIPP claim is approved by the PSD National Office, the State Office will be notified by memorandum and appropriate funds for the approved payment amount will be allocated through eFMS to the State Office.

E Availability of Funds

Payment of DIPP claims is contingent upon the authority and availability of funds to pay the claims. Claims will be paid from available funds on a first-come, first-served basis, based on the date of approval of the DIPP claim, until available funds have been expended. Claims received after all available funds have been expended may not be paid, unless additional funds are appropriated.

2 Action

A County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- comply with the instructions provided in this notice
- see 3-LD for DIPP policy and procedures.

B State Office Action

State Offices shall:

- ensure that County Offices follow instructions provided in this notice
- see 3-LD for DIPP policy and procedures
- contact the National Office as necessary according to subparagraph 1 C.

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